Surah 30 *Surah Room*

ROME

THE LINK BETWEEN *SURAH ROOM* AND *SURAH ANKABOOT*

By Name: The example of the spider in *Surah Ankaboot* illustrates that Only Allaah is man's Helper and True Benefactor. Turning away from *Towheed* and seeking assistance from other gods is as futile as seeking shelter from the elements using the web of a spider (Ankaboot). If the *Mu'mineen* hold fast to the belief in *Towheed*, Allaah will grant them victory over their enemies that will be as resounding and impressive as the victory achieved by ancient Rome (Room) over the Persians.

By Content: A verse of *Surah Ankaboot* states, **"Do people** *(the Mu'mineen)* **think that they will be left to say, "We have Imaan!" without being tested?"** [verse 2]. Merely declaring one's *Imaan* is not all that is required from a *Mu'min*. In addition to this, the *Mu'mineen* will have to fulfil many more obligations such as waging Jihaad against the *Kuffaar,* by which they will suffer many trials and tribulations.

A SUMMARY OF THE *SURAH*

Because the *Mu'mineen* can overpower the *Kuffaar* only on account of their belief in *Towheed*, Allaah says in verse 17, **"So glorify Allaah's purity** *(perform salaah and remember Allaah)* **as you spend the evenings and the mornings."**. Allaah impresses upon man that (morning and evening) he must abstain from *Shirk* and regard Allaah to be Pure from all partners, and continue to glorify and praise Him. This point is repeated twice in the *Surah*, in the following two verses:

1. **"So focus your attention only on this Deen as a Haneef** *(one who turns away from every other religion)***..."** [verse 30]
2. **"So focus your attention on the upright Deen** *(Islaam)***..."** [verse 43]

It is only when the *Mu'mineen* adhere to pure *Towheed* and live according to the injunctions of Islaam that Allaah will grant them the required assistance against their enemies. The concept of *Towheed* is so clear and substantiated by so many proofs that one must never forsake it. Therefore, one must strictly adhere to the straight *Deen* of Islaam. The *Surah* also discusses three factors which save one from punishment viz. (1) not to commit Shirk, (2) to be kind, (3) not to oppress.

The *Surah* conveys glad tidings to the Muslims, telling them that they will soon defeat the *Mushrikeen* just as the Romans will defeat the Persians. Allaah says in verses 4 and 5, **"And on that day** *(when Rome defeats Persia)* **the Mu'mineen will rejoice about Allaah's assistance** *(because like the Mu'mineen, the Ahlul Kitaab were also monotheists, whereas the Persians were polytheists)***."** This victory is only possible with Allaah's assistance. Once He

promises His assistance, it will come to pass because **"Allaah never breaks His promise."** [verse 6]

Because belief in *Towheed* is of paramount importance to be able to defeat the *Kuffaar,* this *Surah* substantiates belief in *Towheed* using thirteen logical proofs. Allaah also cites an example to illustrate the difference between the True Deity and false ones. This example is contained in verse 28 where Allaah says, **"***(For you to understand the foolishness of Shirk,)* **Allaah gives you an example relating to your own selves** *(your personal experiences)***. Are any of those** *(slaves or servants)* **whom you own** *(who serve you)* **shareholders in that** *(wealth and authority)* **which We have given you, making you all** *(yourselves and them)* **equal, with you fearing** *(reproach from)* **them** *(when you wish to spend from the wealth)* **as you fear** *(reproach from)* **yourselves** *(when doing so)***? Thus do We explain Aayaat for people of understanding."** *(Allaah asks the Mushrikeen if they would be pleased with the idea of seeking permission from their slaves to spend their own wealth, as they would have to do if their slaves were to be their partners. When man dislikes having partners, who are human like himself in jointly owning property, how can he expect Allaah to tolerate the behaviour of Mushrikeen, who ascribe such partners to Him, who are incomparably inferior to Him?)*

سُوْرَةُ الرُّوْمِ مَكِّيَّةٌ وَّهِيَ سِتُّوْنَ اٰيَةً وَّسِتُّ رُكُوْعَاتٍ

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ ○

In the name of Allaah, The Most Compassionate, The Most Merciful.

الٓمّٓ ①

1. Alif Laam Meem. *(Only Allaah knows the correct meaning of these letters.)*

غُلِبَتِ الرُّوْمُ ۙ ②

2. *(The people of)* **Rome** *(the people of the Ahlul Kitaab who controlled the Byzantine Empire)* **will be defeated** *(by the Persians who were Mushrikeen)***...**

فِيْٓ اَدْنَى الْاَرْضِ وَهُمْ مِّنْۢ بَعْدِ غَلَبِهِمْ سَيَغْلِبُوْنَ ۙ ③

3. ...in the *(land that is)* **nearer** *(to the Arabs than the)* **land** *(of the Persians)* **and, after their defeat,** *(the Byzantines (Romans))* **will again be victorious...**

فِيْ بِضْعِ سِنِيْنَ ۭ لِلّٰهِ الْاَمْرُ مِنْ قَبْلُ وَمِنْۢ بَعْدُ ۭ وَيَوْمَىِٕذٍ يَّفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُوْنَ ۙ ④

4. ...within a few *(nine)* **years. All affairs are in Allaah's control from before** *(their defeat)* **and afterwards** *(it was therefore by Allaah's command that Persia won at first and that Rome won thereafter)***. And on that day** *(when Rome defeats Persia)* **the Mu'mineen will rejoice...***(be happy)*

بِنَصْرِ اللّٰهِ ۭ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَّشَاۗءُ ۭ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيْزُ الرَّحِيْمُ ۙ ⑤

5. ...about *(with)* **Allaah's assistance** *(because like the Mu'mineen, the Ahlul Kitaab were also monotheists, whereas the Persians were polytheists)***. Allaah assists whoever He wills** *(and will certainly assist the Muslims against the Mushrikeen)***, and He is the Mighty** *(none can defeat Him)***, the Most Merciful.**

وَعْدَ اللّٰهِ ۭ لَا يُخْلِفُ اللّٰهُ وَعْدَهٗ وَلٰكِنَّ اَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُوْنَ ⑥

6. Allaah has made a promise *(to assist His Ambiyaa and those with them)***. Allaah never breaks His promise** *(which is full of wisdom)* **but most people** *(the Kuffaar)* **have no knowledge** *(of the truth of Allaah's promises)***.**

يَعْلَمُوْنَ ظَاهِرًا مِّنَ الْحَيٰوةِ الدُّنْيَا ۖ وَهُمْ عَنِ الْاٰخِرَةِ هُمْ غٰفِلُوْنَ ۝٧

7. They *(the Kuffaar)* **have** (only) **superficial** *(shallow)* **knowledge of** *(matters related to)* **the life of this world whereas they are negligent** *(do not want to understand the benefits)* **of** *(matters related to)* **the Aakhirah** *(as a result, they will be unsuccessful in the Aakhirah)***.**

اَوَلَمْ يَتَفَكَّرُوْا فِيْٓ اَنْفُسِهِمْ ۭ مَا خَلَقَ اللّٰهُ السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضَ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَآ اِلَّا بِالْحَقِّ وَاَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى ۭ وَاِنَّ كَثِيْرًا مِّنَ النَّاسِ بِلِقَاۗئِ رَبِّهِمْ لَكٰفِرُوْنَ ۝٨

8. Have they *(the Kuffaar)* **not pondered** *(thought about the many signs of Allaah's power and Oneness)* **?** *(Have they not realised that)* **Allaah has created the heavens and the earth with the truth** *(for good reason)* **and for an appointed term?** *(Have they not reasoned that just as everything else in this world comes to an end, so too will the universe come to an end on the Day of Qiyaamah, when everyone will be required to face Allaah?) (However,)* **Many people reject** *(do not believe in)* **their meeting with their Rabb** *(even though their very logic demands that a time must come when wrong-doers have to be taken to task and good-doers have to be rewarded)***.**

اَوَلَمْ يَسِيْرُوْا فِي الْاَرْضِ فَيَنْظُرُوْا كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الَّذِيْنَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ ۭ كَانُوْٓا اَشَدَّ مِنْهُمْ قُوَّةً وَّاَثَارُوا الْاَرْضَ وَعَمَرُوْهَآ اَكْثَرَ مِمَّا عَمَرُوْهَا وَجَاۗءَتْهُمْ رُسُلُهُمْ بِالْبَيِّنٰتِ ۭ فَمَا كَانَ اللّٰهُ لِيَظْلِمَهُمْ وَلٰكِنْ كَانُوْٓا اَنْفُسَهُمْ يَظْلِمُوْنَ ۝٩

9. Have they *(the Kuffaar)* **not travelled in the lands and seen what was the plight** *(dreadful)* **of those** *(who rejected Imaan)* **before them? Those people were mightier than them** *(the Kuffaar of today)***, ploughed the earth and developed it** *(much)* **more than they** (the Kuffaar) **have developed it** *(yet despite all of this, they were destroyed)***. Their Rusul came to them** *(with the message of Towheed, but they rejected the message)***. It was not Allaah Who wronged them, but they wronged themselves** *(by become of their inability to accept the truth when they committed kufr and rejected the Ambiyaa . They were therefore responsible for the resultant punishment)***.**

ثُمَّ كَانَ عَاقِبَةَ الَّذِيْنَ اَسَاۗءُوا السُّوْٓآٰى اَنْ كَذَّبُوْا بِاٰيٰتِ اللّٰهِ وَكَانُوْا بِهَا يَسْتَهْزِءُوْنَ ۝١٠ ع ١٠ ٤

10. Then *(in the end)* **the outcome** (the result) **of those who perpetrated evil was evil** *(punishment)* **indeed because they rejected Allaah's Aayaat** (guidance) **and mocked them.**

اَللّٰهُ يَبْدَؤُا الْخَلْقَ ثُمَّ يُعِيْدُهٗ ثُمَّ اِلَيْهِ تُرْجَعُوْنَ ۝١١

11. Allaah originated creation and will repeat *(the act of creation on the Day of Qiyaamah when the dead will be brought back to life)***, after which you will all be returned to Him** *(to account for your actions in the world)***.**

وَيَوْمَ تَقُوْمُ السَّاعَةُ يُبْلِسُ الْمُجْرِمُوْنَ ﴿١٢﴾

12. The day when Qiyaamah will dawn, the criminals *(Kuffaar and sinners)* **will lose all hope** *(of escaping punishment because their guilt will be proven beyond doubt)*.

وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَّهُمْ مِّنْ شُرَكَآئِهِمْ شُفَعٰٓؤُا وَكَانُوْا بِشُرَكَآئِهِمْ كٰفِرِيْنَ ﴿١٣﴾

13. None of their partners *(their gods whom they ascribed as partners to Allaah)* **will be intercessors** *(able to plead)* **for them, and** *(to save themselves)* **they will** *(even)* **reject** *(the fact that they ever worshipped)* **their partners** (false gods).

وَيَوْمَ تَقُوْمُ السَّاعَةُ يَوْمَئِذٍ يَّتَفَرَّقُوْنَ ﴿١٤﴾

14. On the day when Qiyaamah will take place, they *(mankind)* **will be divided** *(and a person will fall either among the ranks of the Mu'mineen or the Kuffaar)*.

فَاَمَّا الَّذِيْنَ اٰمَنُوْا وَعَمِلُوا الصّٰلِحٰتِ فَهُمْ فِيْ رَوْضَةٍ يُّحْبَرُوْنَ ﴿١٥﴾

15. As for those who have Imaan and perform good deeds, they will be rejoicing in a garden *(of Jannah)*.

وَاَمَّا الَّذِيْنَ كَفَرُوْا وَكَذَّبُوْا بِاٰيٰتِنَا وَلِقَآئِ الْاٰخِرَةِ فَاُولٰٓئِكَ فِي الْعَذَابِ مُحْضَرُوْنَ ﴿١٦﴾

16. As for those who commit kufr and who reject Our Aayaat and the meeting of the Aakhirah, these people will be exposed to punishment.

فَسُبْحٰنَ اللّٰهِ حِيْنَ تُمْسُوْنَ وَحِيْنَ تُصْبِحُوْنَ ﴿١٧﴾

17. So glorify Allaah's purity *(perform salaah and remember Allaah)* **as you spend the evenings** *(during the Maghrib salaah and Isha salaah)* **and the mornings** *(during the Fajr salaah)*.

وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ فِي السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضِ وَعَشِيًّا وَّحِيْنَ تُظْهِرُوْنَ ﴿١٨﴾

18. All praise in the heavens and the earth belong to Him, and *(in addition to glorifying His purity during the mornings and evenings, you should also)* **glorify His purity during the latter part of the day** *(during the Asr salaah)* **and during the afternoons** *(during the Zuhr salaah)*.

ع ٢ ٩ ٥ يُخْرِجُ الْحَيَّ مِنَ الْمَيِّتِ وَيُخْرِجُ الْمَيِّتَ مِنَ الْحَيِّ وَيُحْيِ الْاَرْضَ بَعْدَ مَوْتِهَا وَكَذٰلِكَ تُخْرَجُوْنَ ﴿١٩﴾

19. He *(Allaah)* **brings forth the living from the dead** *(such as a chicken from an egg or a Mu'min from a*

Kaafir), **the dead from the living** *(such as an egg from a hen or a Kaafir from a Mu'min)* **and revives the earth after its death** *(by causing vegetation to flourish on ground that was previously barren)*. **In this manner** *(as Allaah causes the dead earth to be revived)* **will you be brought back to life** *(on the Day of Qiyaamah after your death)*.

وَمِنْ اٰيٰتِهٖٓ اَنْ خَلَقَكُمْ مِّنْ تُرَابٍ ثُمَّ اِذَآ اَنْتُمْ بَشَرٌ تَنْتَشِرُوْنَ ﴿٢٠﴾

20. Among His Aayaat *(that demonstrate His power and prove His Oneness)* **is that He has created you** *(your father Aadam)* **from sand, after which** *(through the process of procreation)* **you became** *(millions of)* **humans spread out** *(scattered about)* **on earth.**

وَمِنْ اٰيٰتِهٖٓ اَنْ خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مِّنْ اَنْفُسِكُمْ اَزْوَاجًا لِّتَسْكُنُوْٓا اِلَيْهَا وَجَعَلَ بَيْنَكُمْ مَّوَدَّةً وَّرَحْمَةً ۭ اِنَّ فِيْ ذٰلِكَ لَاٰيٰتٍ لِّقَوْمٍ يَّتَفَكَّرُوْنَ ﴿٢١﴾

21. Also among His Aayaat is that He has created spouses for you from yourselves *(from your own species)* **so that you may find solace** *(peace and rest)* **with her and He has placed** (blessed you with *tremendous)* **love** *(most clearly seen during youth and adulthood)* **and** *(blessed you with a great deal of)* **mercy** *(most clearly appretiated during old age)* **between you. There are certainly Aayaat in this for people who contemplate** *(people who have insight)*.

وَمِنْ اٰيٰتِهٖ خَلْقُ السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضِ وَاخْتِلَافُ اَلْسِنَتِكُمْ وَاَلْوَانِكُمْ ۭ اِنَّ فِيْ ذٰلِكَ لَاٰيٰتٍ لِّلْعٰلِمِيْنَ ﴿٢٢﴾

22. Also among His Aayaat is the creation of the heavens and the earth and the variety of your languages and colours *(of your skin despite the fact that you all came from Aadam and Hawwa)*. **There are certainly Aayaat in this for those who have knowledge** *(who think).*

وَمِنْ اٰيٰتِهٖ مَنَامُكُمْ بِالَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ وَابْتِغَاۗؤُكُمْ مِّنْ فَضْلِهٖ ۭ اِنَّ فِيْ ذٰلِكَ لَاٰيٰتٍ لِّقَوْمٍ يَّسْمَعُوْنَ ﴿٢٣﴾

23. Also among His Aayaat is your sleep by night and by day *(when you are oblivious of everything and wake up refreshed)*, **and your seeking from His bounty** *(earning your livelihood)*. **There are certainly Aayaat in this for those who listen** *(with the intention of taking heed)*.

وَمِنْ اٰيٰتِهٖ يُرِيْكُمُ الْبَرْقَ خَوْفًا وَّطَمَعًا وَّيُنَزِّلُ مِنَ السَّمَاۗءِ مَاۗءً فَيُحْيٖ بِهِ الْاَرْضَ بَعْدَ مَوْتِهَا ۭ اِنَّ فِيْ ذٰلِكَ لَاٰيٰتٍ لِّقَوْمٍ يَّعْقِلُوْنَ ﴿٢٤﴾

24. Also among His Aayaat is that He shows you lightning which aroused (both) **fear** *(of being struck)* **and** *(much)* **hope** *(of rainfall)*. **He sends rain from the sky, thereby reviving the earth after its death. There are certainly Aayaat in this for people who understand** *(think).*

وَمِنْ اٰيٰتِهٖٓ اَنْ تَقُوْمَ السَّمَاۗءُ وَالْاَرْضُ بِاَمْرِهٖ ۭ ثُمَّ اِذَا دَعَاكُمْ دَعْوَةً ۖ مِّنَ الْاَرْضِ ۡ اِذَآ اَنْتُمْ تَخْرُجُوْنَ ﴿٢٥﴾

25. Also among His Aayaat is that the sky and the earth stand *(suspended where they are)* **by His command** *(without any supports)*. **Then** *(on the Day of Qiyaamah)*, **when He will call for you from the earth** *(when the trumpet is blown)*, **you will all immediately** *(at once)* **emerge** *(from your graves to account to Allaah for all you did and believed)*.

وَلَهٗ مَنْ فِي السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضِ ؕ كُلٌّ لَّهٗ قٰنِتُوْنَ ﴿٢٦﴾

26. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and the earth. Everything is subservient (obedient) **to Him.**

وَهُوَ الَّذِيْ يَبْدَؤُا الْخَلْقَ ثُمَّ يُعِيْدُهٗ وَهُوَ اَهْوَنُ عَلَيْهِ ؕ وَلَهُ الْمَثَلُ الْاَعْلٰى فِي السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضِ ۚ
وَهُوَ الْعَزِيْزُ الْحَكِيْمُ ﴿٢٧﴾ ع ٣ ٨ ٦

27. It is He Who originated *(commenced the)* **creation and will repeat** *(the act of creation)*, **which** *(judging in terms of human experience)* **will be easier for Him** *(because it will be easier to do something the second time)*. **His is the Highest glory in the heavens and the earth** *(because Only He deserves to be worshipped)*, **and He is the Mighty, the Wise.**

ضَرَبَ لَكُمْ مَّثَلًا مِّنْ اَنْفُسِكُمْ ؕ هَلْ لَّكُمْ مِّنْ مَّا مَلَكَتْ اَيْمَانُكُمْ مِّنْ شُرَكَآءَ فِيْ مَا رَزَقْنٰكُمْ فَاَنْتُمْ
فِيْهِ سَوَآءٌ تَخَافُوْنَهُمْ كَخِيْفَتِكُمْ اَنْفُسَكُمْ ؕ كَذٰلِكَ نُفَصِّلُ الْاٰيٰتِ لِقَوْمٍ يَّعْقِلُوْنَ ﴿٢٨﴾

28. *(For you to understand the foolishness of Shirk,)* **Allaah gives you an example relating to your own selves** *(your personal experiences)*. **Are any of those** *(slaves or servants)* **whom you own** *(who serve you)* **shareholders in that** *(wealth and authority)* **which We have given you, making you all** *(yourselves and them)* **equal, with you fearing** *(reproach from)* **them** *(when you wish to spend from the wealth)* **as you fear** *(reproach from)* **yourselves** *(your partners)* **? Thus do We explain Aayaat for people of understanding.** *(Allaah asks the Mushrikeen if they would be pleased with the idea of seeking permission from their slaves to spend their own wealth, as they would have to do if their slaves were to be their partners. When man dislikes having partners, who are human like himself in jointly owning property , how can he expect Allaah to tolerate the behaviour of Mushrikeen, who ascribe such partners to Him, who are incomparably inferior to Him?)*

بَلِ اتَّبَعَ الَّذِيْنَ ظَلَمُوْٓا اَهْوَآءَهُمْ بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ ۚ فَمَنْ يَّهْدِيْ مَنْ اَضَلَّ اللّٰهُ ؕ وَمَا لَهُمْ مِّنْ نّٰصِرِيْنَ ﴿٢٩﴾

29. However, *(despite such examples)* **the** *(unjust)* **oppressors** *(the Mushrikeen)* **follow their whims** *(and refuse to accept the truth)* **without any warrant** *(reason)*. **Who can guide the one whom Allaah has sent astray? They will have no helpers** *(against Allaah's punishment)*.

فَاَقِمْ وَجْهَكَ لِلدِّيْنِ حَنِيْفًا ؕ فِطْرَتَ اللّٰهِ الَّتِيْ فَطَرَ النَّاسَ عَلَيْهَا ؕ لَا تَبْدِيْلَ لِخَلْقِ اللّٰهِ ؕ ذٰلِكَ
الدِّيْنُ الْقَيِّمُ ۙ وَلٰكِنَّ اَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُوْنَ ﴿٣٠﴾ ۙ

30. So focus your attention only on this Deen as a Haneef *(one who turns away from every other religion)*. *(Accept and follow)* **Allaah's natural model** *(the built-in inherent capacity every human has to accept Islaam)* **on which He created mankind. There can be no change to Allaah's creation** *(none can alter this built-in capacity)*. **This is the upright** (true) **Deen, but most people do not know** *(and therefore remain Kuffaar because they refuse to utilise this capacity to accept the truth)*.

مُنِيبِينَ إِلَيْهِ وَاتَّقُوهُ وَأَقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَلَا تَكُونُوا مِنَ الْمُشْرِكِينَ ﴿٣١﴾

31. *(Follow Islaam the original religion, by)* **turning solely to Allaah, fear Him, establish salaah and do not be from the Mushrikeen...**

مِنَ الَّذِينَ فَرَّقُوا دِينَهُمْ وَكَانُوا شِيَعًا ۖ كُلُّ حِزْبٍ بِمَا لَدَيْهِمْ فَرِحُونَ ﴿٣٢﴾

32. ...*(do not be)* **from those who divided their religion and have been split into many factions, each faction** *(sect)* **being pleased with what** *(beliefs and practices)* **it has** *(and thereby refusing to accept the truth)*.

وَإِذَا مَسَّ النَّاسَ ضُرٌّ دَعَوْا رَبَّهُمْ مُنِيبِينَ إِلَيْهِ ثُمَّ إِذَا أَذَاقَهُمْ مِنْهُ رَحْمَةً إِذَا فَرِيقٌ مِنْهُمْ بِرَبِّهِمْ يُشْرِكُونَ ﴿٣٣﴾

33. When any difficulty *(problem)* **afflicts** *(any group of)* **people, they call to their Rabb, turning only to Him** *(without bothering to pray to their gods)*. **Then, when He allows them the taste of His mercy** *(by removing the difficulty)*, **suddenly a group of them ascribe partners to their Rabb...**

لِيَكْفُرُوا بِمَا آتَيْنَاهُمْ ۚ فَتَمَتَّعُوا فَسَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٣٤﴾

34. ...*(this they do)* **to show ingratitude for what** *(favours)* **We give them.** *(Instead of worshipping Allaah out of gratitude to Him, they worship others who have done nothing for them.)* **Enjoy yourselves** *(in this world by doing as you please)* **! Soon you will come to know** *(the error of your ways when Allaah's punishment strikes you)*.

أَمْ أَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ سُلْطَانًا فَهُوَ يَتَكَلَّمُ بِمَا كَانُوا بِهِ يُشْرِكُونَ ﴿٣٥﴾

35. Or have *(they resorted to Shirk because)* **We revealed a warrant** *(a scripture)* **to them, which speaks about what** *(gods and idols)* **they ascribe as partners to Allaah?** *(This is certainly not the case!)*

وَإِذَا أَذَقْنَا النَّاسَ رَحْمَةً فَرِحُوا بِهَا ۖ وَإِنْ تُصِبْهُمْ سَيِّئَةٌ بِمَا قَدَّمَتْ أَيْدِيهِمْ إِذَا هُمْ يَقْنَطُونَ ﴿٣٦﴾

36. When We allow people to taste Our mercy *(by showering Our favours on them)*, **they rejoice** *(boast)* **about it. However, when any difficulty** *(evil)* **afflicts them because of the sins they**

commit, they suddenly lose hope *(of ever recovering from the difficulty, thereby indicating that they have no faith and do no rely on Allaah)*.

أَوَلَمْ يَرَوْا أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَبْسُطُ الرِّزْقَ لِمَن يَشَاءُ وَيَقْدِرُ ۚ إِنَّ فِي ذَٰلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ لِّقَوْمٍ يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿٣٧﴾

37. Do they not see that Allaah increases sustenance for whoever He wills and decreases *(for whoever He wills)* **? There are certainly Aayaat in this for those who have Imaan.**

فَآتِ ذَا الْقُرْبَىٰ حَقَّهُ وَالْمِسْكِينَ وَابْنَ السَّبِيلِ ۚ ذَٰلِكَ خَيْرٌ لِّلَّذِينَ يُرِيدُونَ وَجْهَ اللَّهِ ۖ وَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ ﴿٣٨﴾

38. So give the relative his right *(behave kindly toward him and assist him wherever possible)*, **as well as the poor and the traveller** *(all of whom should be assisted in every possible manner)*. **This is best for those who seek Allaah's pleasure** *(because assisting Allaah's creation pleases Allaah greatly)*. **These** *(people who fulfil the rights of others)* **are the successful people.**

وَمَا آتَيْتُم مِّن رِّبًا لِّيَرْبُوَ فِي أَمْوَالِ النَّاسِ فَلَا يَرْبُو عِندَ اللَّهِ ۖ وَمَا آتَيْتُم مِّن زَكَاةٍ تُرِيدُونَ وَجْهَ اللَّهِ فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُضْعِفُونَ ﴿٣٩﴾

39. Whatever interest *(any sum of usury)* **you pay to increase people's wealth does not increase in Allaah's sight** *(because interest destroys the blessings of one's wealth even though the wealth seems to be increasing in value)*. *(On the other hand)* **Whatever you pay as zakaah, seeking Allaah's pleasure, such people** *(who pay their zakaah)* **truly multiply** *(their rewards, even though their wealth seems to be decreasing in value)*.

اللَّهُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ ثُمَّ رَزَقَكُمْ ثُمَّ يُمِيتُكُمْ ثُمَّ يُحْيِيكُمْ ۖ هَلْ مِن شُرَكَائِكُم مَّن يَفْعَلُ مِن ذَٰلِكُم مِّن شَيْءٍ ۚ سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَىٰ عَمَّا يُشْرِكُونَ ﴿٤٠﴾ ع ١٣ ٧

40. It is Allaah Who has created you, then sustains you, will then give you death and again give you life *(on the Day of Qiyaamah)*. **Are there any of your partners** *(gods)* **who can do any of this? Allaah is Pure** *(unique)* **and Exalted above the partners they** *(the Mushrikeen)* **ascribe to Him** *(because none can do what He can do)*.

ظَهَرَ الْفَسَادُ فِي الْبَرِّ وَالْبَحْرِ بِمَا كَسَبَتْ أَيْدِي النَّاسِ لِيُذِيقَهُم بَعْضَ الَّذِي عَمِلُوا لَعَلَّهُمْ يَرْجِعُونَ ﴿٤١﴾

41.Corruption *(trouble, difficulties, calamities)* **has appeared** *(spread)* **on land and at sea because of the** *(evil)* **actions of man and so that Allaah may let them taste** *(the consequences)* **of some of their** *(evil)* **actions, so that they may** *(again)* **turn back** *(and refrain from sin)*.

قُلْ سِيْرُوْا فِي الْاَرْضِ فَانْظُرُوْا كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الَّذِيْنَ مِنْ قَبْلُ ۭ كَانَ اَكْثَرُهُمْ مُّشْرِكِيْنَ ۝۴۲

42. Say, "Travel in the lands and see what was the plight *(terrible)* **of those** *(who committed Shirk)* **before** *(you. See how Allaah's punishment destroyed them and learn a lesson from this)***. Most of them** *(those who were punished in the past)* **were Mushrikeen."**

فَاَقِمْ وَجْهَكَ لِلدِّيْنِ الْقَيِّمِ مِنْ قَبْلِ اَنْ يَّاْتِيَ يَوْمٌ لَّا مَرَدَّ لَهٗ مِنَ اللّٰهِ يَوْمَىِٕذٍ يَّصَّدَّعُوْنَ ۝۴۳

43. So focus your attention on the upright Deen *(Islaam)* **before a day** *(the Day of Qiyaamah)* **comes when there will be no defence against** *(the punishment of)* **Allaah. On that day people will be** *(clearly)* **separated** *(into two groups; one destined for Jannah and the other for Jahannam)***.**

مَنْ كَفَرَ فَعَلَيْهِ كُفْرُهٗ ۚ وَمَنْ عَمِلَ صَالِحًا فَلِاَنْفُسِهِمْ يَمْهَدُوْنَ ۝۴۴ۙ

44. Whoever commits kufr, his kufr will be to his detriment *(because he will suffer eternal punishment for it)***.** *(On the other hand,)* **Whoever** *(has Imaan and)* **carries out a good deed, such people will be preparing the ground** *(of Jannah)* **for themselves...**

لِيَجْزِيَ الَّذِيْنَ اٰمَنُوْا وَعَمِلُوا الصّٰلِحٰتِ مِنْ فَضْلِهٖ ۭ اِنَّهٗ لَا يُحِبُّ الْكٰفِرِيْنَ ۝۴۵

45. ...so that Allaah may reward from His grace *(His generosity and kindness)* **those who have Imaan and who do good deeds. Without doubt, Allaah does not like the Kaafiroon.**

وَمِنْ اٰيٰتِهٖٓ اَنْ يُّرْسِلَ الرِّيَاحَ مُبَشِّرٰتٍ وَّلِيُذِيْقَكُمْ مِّنْ رَّحْمَتِهٖ وَلِتَجْرِيَ الْفُلْكُ بِاَمْرِهٖ وَلِتَبْتَغُوْا مِنْ فَضْلِهٖ وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُوْنَ ۝۴۶

46. Among His Aayaat is that He sends the winds as carriers of good news *(indicating to man that rain is soon to arrive. The wind is sent)* **to** *(carry the rain clouds to)* **let people have a taste His mercy** *(the rain)* **and** *(Allaah sends the winds)* **to allow ships to sail by His command so that you seek from His bounty** *(earn your livelihood)***, and so that you may show gratitude** *(to Him by worshipping Only Him)***.**

وَلَقَدْ اَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ رُسُلًا اِلٰى قَوْمِهِمْ فَجَاۗءُوْهُمْ بِالْبَيِّنٰتِ فَانْتَقَمْنَا مِنَ الَّذِيْنَ اَجْرَمُوْا ۭ وَكَانَ حَقًّا عَلَيْنَا نَصْرُ الْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ ۝۴۷

47. *(O Rasulullah ﷺ)* **We have undoubtedly sent many Rusul before you to their nations, who brought clear signs** *(miracles)* **to them** *(to prove that they were true messengers of Allaah)***.** *(However, despite this, the people rejected the message of Towheed that the Ambiyaa عليهم السلام brought and harassed the*

Mu'mineen. Therefore) **We then exacted revenge from those who sinned** *(by already punishing them in this world)* **It has always been Our bounden responsibility to** (obligatory duty) **assist the Mu'mineen** *(against their enemies)*.

اَللّٰهُ الَّذِیْ یُرْسِلُ الرِّیٰحَ فَتُثِیْرُ سَحَابًا فَیَبْسُطُهٗ فِی السَّمَآءِ كَیْفَ یَشَآءُ وَیَجْعَلُهٗ كِسَفًا فَتَرَى
الْوَدْقَ یَخْرُجُ مِنْ خِلٰلِهٖ ۚ فَاِذَاۤ اَصَابَ بِهٖ مَنْ یَّشَآءُ مِنْ عِبَادِهٖۤ اِذَا هُمْ یَسْتَبْشِرُوْنَ ﴿۴۸﴾

48. It is Allaah Who sends the winds which carry the clouds, spreading them across the sky as He wills *(so that the clouds arrive at the place where Allaah intends rain to fall)*. **He then breaks the clouds into fragments** *(stacks them layer upon layer)*, **after which you see rain falling from its midst. When Allaah sends it** *(the rain)* **to those bondsmen whom He wills, they become happy...**

وَاِنْ كَانُوْا مِنْ قَبْلِ اَنْ یُّنَزَّلَ عَلَیْهِمْ مِّنْ قَبْلِهٖ لَمُبْلِسِیْنَ ﴿۴۹﴾

49. ...even though, before it was sent to them, they were despondent *(they had lost hope of ever receiving rain)*. *(The falling of the rain mentioned in this verse may also refer to men's spiritual revival.)*

فَانْظُرْ اِلٰۤى اٰثٰرِ رَحْمَتِ اللّٰهِ كَیْفَ یُحْیِ الْاَرْضَ بَعْدَ مَوْتِهَا ؕ اِنَّ ذٰلِكَ لَمُحْیِ الْمَوْتٰى ۚ وَهُوَ عَلٰى كُلِّ شَیْءٍ
قَدِیْرٌ ﴿۵۰﴾

50. So look at *(and appreciate)* **the evidence** *(signs)* **of Allaah's mercy and how He revives the earth after its death. Undoubtedly,** *(Only)* **He gives life to the dead and He has power over all things** *(one should therefore never lose hope in Him)*.

وَلَىِٕنْ اَرْسَلْنَا رِیْحًا فَرَاَوْهُ مُصْفَرًّا لَّظَلُّوْا مِنْۢ بَعْدِهٖ یَكْفُرُوْنَ ﴿۵۱﴾

51. Verily, if we have to send a *(destructive)* **wind and they** *(the Kuffaar)* **have to see it** *(their grown fields)* **yellow** *(after being destroyed)*, **they will begin to show ingratitude** *(for all the bounties that Allaah had given them, not realising that Allaah's favours to them far outweighs the calamity)*.

فَاِنَّكَ لَا تُسْمِعُ الْمَوْتٰى وَلَا تُسْمِعُ الصُّمَّ الدُّعَآءَ اِذَا وَلَّوْا مُدْبِرِیْنَ ﴿۵۲﴾

52. *(However, despite your (the Rasul's) concerted efforts, many of the Kuffaar still refuse to accept the truth because)* **You cannot make the** *(spiritually)* **dead hear** *(the truth with the intention of accepting)*, **nor can you make the deaf hear a call** *(especially)* **when they turn their backs** *(indicating that they have no intention of accepting what you tell them)*.

وَمَاۤ اَنْتَ بِهٰدِ الْعُمْیِ عَنْ ضَلٰلَتِهِمْ ؕ اِنْ تُسْمِعُ اِلَّا مَنْ یُّؤْمِنُ بِاٰیٰتِنَا فَهُمْ مُّسْلِمُوْنَ ﴿۵۳﴾ ع ۵ ۱۳ ۸

53. You cannot guide the *(spiritually)* **blind from their deviation** *(error).* **You can make only those people hear who believe in Our Aayaat and are** *(willing to be)* **Muslims.**

اَللّٰهُ الَّذِیْ خَلَقَكُمْ مِّنْ ضُعْفٍ ثُمَّ جَعَلَ مِنْۢ بَعْدِ ضُعْفٍ قُوَّةً ثُمَّ جَعَلَ مِنْۢ بَعْدِ قُوَّةٍ ضُعْفًا وَّ شَیْبَةً ؕ یَخْلُقُ مَا یَشَآءُ ۚ وَ هُوَ الْعَلِیْمُ الْقَدِیْرُ ﴿۵۴﴾

قرءحفص بضم الضاد وفتحها فی الثلاثة لکن الضم مختاره.

54. It is Allaah Who created you in a state of weakness *(as a helpless infant)***, then substituted strength after the weakness** *(as you grew into an adult)* **and, after the strength, will again give weakness** *(as you age)* **and** *(eventually)* **old-age. Allaah creates whatever He wills, and He is the All Knowing, All Powerful.**

وَ یَوْمَ تَقُوْمُ السَّاعَةُ یُقْسِمُ الْمُجْرِمُوْنَ ۙ مَا لَبِثُوْا غَیْرَ سَاعَةٍ ؕ كَذٰلِكَ كَانُوْا یُؤْفَكُوْنَ ﴿۵۵﴾

55. The day when Qiyaamah will dawn, the criminals *(sinners)* **will swear an oath saying, "We never stayed** *(in the world or in the grave for)* **more than a moment." In this manner** *(just as they will be deceived in not understanding the duration of their stay)* **they were always deceived** *(in this world by their false hopes, by Shaytaan and by other factors which led them to kufr and sin)***.**

وَ قَالَ الَّذِیْنَ اُوْتُوا الْعِلْمَ وَ الْاِیْمَانَ لَقَدْ لَبِثْتُمْ فِیْ كِتٰبِ اللّٰهِ اِلٰى یَوْمِ الْبَعْثِ ۚ فَهٰذَا یَوْمُ الْبَعْثِ وَ لٰكِنَّكُمْ كُنْتُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُوْنَ ﴿۵۶﴾

56. *(In response to this oath,)* **Those** *(people and angels)* **given knowledge** *(of Deen)* **and Imaan will say** (to the disbelievers)**, "By Allaah's Book** *(decision)***, you lived** *(many years of your life in the world)* **until the Day of Resurrection. This is now that Day of Resurrection** *(which you denied)***, but you never understood** *(that it will certainly dawn on you)***."**

فَیَوْمَىٕذٍ لَّا یَنْفَعُ الَّذِیْنَ ظَلَمُوْا مَعْذِرَتُهُمْ وَ لَا هُمْ یُسْتَعْتَبُوْنَ ﴿۵۷﴾

57. On this day, the excuses of the oppressors *(Kuffaar and sinners)* **will not benefit them, neither will they be given the opportunity** *(to make amends for their wrongs by repenting or by pleasing Allaah in any other manner because this opportunity is given to men only in this world)***.**

وَ لَقَدْ ضَرَبْنَا لِلنَّاسِ فِیْ هٰذَا الْقُرْاٰنِ مِنْ كُلِّ مَثَلٍ ؕ وَ لَىٕنْ جِئْتَهُمْ بِاٰیَةٍ لَّیَقُوْلَنَّ الَّذِیْنَ كَفَرُوْۤا اِنْ اَنْتُمْ اِلَّا مُبْطِلُوْنَ ﴿۵۸﴾

58. We have undoubtedly explained every type of excellent subject for people in this Qur'aan *(so that they may understand Towheed)***.** *(However, the Kuffaar are so stubborn that even)* **If you bring to them an Aayah** *(miracle)***, the Kuffaar will definitely** *(reject it and)* **say, "You are merely people of falsehood."**

كَذٰلِكَ يَطْبَعُ اللّٰهُ عَلٰى قُلُوْبِ الَّذِيْنَ لَا يَعْلَمُوْنَ ﴿٥٩﴾

59. Thus has Allaah set a seal upon the hearts of those who have no knowledge *(understanding of Towheed)*.

فَاصْبِرْ اِنَّ وَعْدَ اللّٰهِ حَقٌّ وَّلَا يَسْتَخِفَّنَّكَ الَّذِيْنَ لَا يُوْقِنُوْنَ ﴿٦٠﴾ ع ٦-٤٧/٩

60. So exercise patience *(despite the aggression and rejection of the Kuffaar)*. **Allaah's promise** *(to assist you against them)* **is certainly true and do not let those who do not have conviction** *(in Allaah's promises)* **make you impatient** *(disbelievers)*.